

It is an honor to pay tribute to the entire Lady Mustang team: Lindsey Arnett, Mara Bennett, Shannon Bennett, Samantha Bowditch, Lauren Brown, Lunden Carpenter, Natalie Hall, Katie Hamilton, Courtney Havens-Mitchell, Shelby Humphries, Jaime Morton, Taylor Peterson, Lindsay Shafer, Charlie Socia, Meghan Sokolowski, Colleen Unsworth, Katelyn Weissert, Paige Wester, and Jordan Wolf. We are so proud of all of you.

On behalf of all the residents of southwest Michigan, congratulations again to the Lady Mustangs, Coach Norman and the entire Portage community—you are an inspiration to us all. It is Portage Central Pride at its finest. Go Mustangs!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE LAFAYETTE-LEXINGTON DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION CHAPTER

HON. IKE SKELTON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. SKELTON. Madam Speaker, let me take this moment to recognize the Lafayette-Lexington Daughters of the American Revolution Chapter for creating the Susan Skelton Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship was created in memory of my late wife Susan Anding Skelton, honoring her dedication to higher education and Lafayette County.

Susie, a native Missourian, graduated with a bachelor's degree in education from the University of Missouri, Columbia in 1958. In 1976, she served as the first president of the 95th Congress group, the organization representing spouses of new Members of Congress. Susie also played a prominent role in the Congressional Club, serving as treasurer for 2 years and then as president. She was only the second Missourian to serve in that position. As president, she presided over one of the largest memberships in the history of the organization. Additionally, she was president and vice president of International Club III, an organization for spouses of Members of Congress and Ambassadors and was a member of the Congressional Families for Drug-Free Youth.

In Missouri, Susie served two consecutive terms as Regent of the Lafayette-Lexington Chapter D.A.R. She also served 4 years on the Democratic State Committee during the 1970s. In Lexington, she taught Sunday school, was a Cub Scout den mother, and a local first grade teacher. Susie was also active

in Missouri University Alumni Association events in Lafayette County.

Our family friend, LaVeda Cross, was aware of Susie's great involvement in both Washington, DC, and Missouri. As a result, LaVeda and the Lafayette-Lexington D.A.R. Chapter have offered a collegiate scholarship to those individuals that embody the values of Susie. I appreciate the D.A.R. chapter for recognizing the achievements and contributions of Susie. The scholarship is open to any female student who is a permanent resident of Lafayette County and a graduate of one of the following schools: Concordia R-H, Lafayette County C-1, Lexington R-V, St. Paul's Lutheran, or Wellington-Napoleon R-IX and plans to attend college after graduation.

Madam Speaker, Susie was influential in Lafayette County and Washington, DC. I am honored that the D.A.R. has created this scholarship in her name. I know the Members of the House will join me in recognizing the Lafayette-Lexington D.A.R. Chapter for assisting hard-working young women in achieving a higher education.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE MASTER BUILDERS ASSOCIATION OF KING AND SNOHOMISH COUNTIES

HON. DAVID G. REICHERT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. REICHERT. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the Centennial celebration of the Master Builders Association of King and Snohomish Counties in my home state of Washington—the oldest and largest local homebuilders association belonging to the National Association of Home Builders. For one hundred years, the Master Builders have been committed to creating well-built homes and utilizing solid business practices to help in making the Pacific Northwest a wonderful place to live.

Even as our country struggles through an economic downturn and many sectors of our economy, especially home builders, are feeling the negative effects of a reduced workload, the Masters Builders continue to work hard to better families, communities, and the environment.

The Master Builders continue to place an emphasis on community projects such as building free access ramps for disabled homeowners and building and maintaining shelters

for the homeless. The Master Builders work with community-centered organizations like Vision House in Renton, Washington, and the Mercer Slough Environment Center in Bellevue, Washington. The Master Builders are celebrating their Centennial by performing 100 community service projects in King and Snohomish counties throughout 2009—projects that guarantee improvement in communities where people work, live, or play.

The Master Builders also formed Built Green, an environmentally-friendly, non-profit, residential building program to provide sustainable housing in the region and actively reach out to all levels of government to ensure our laws protect the environment and provide attractive and affordable communities.

I am pleased to consider the Master Builders as partners in our efforts to protect our environment and build up our communities. I congratulate them on this milestone and wish them continued success in their current and future projects.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. BILL POSEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. POSEY. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks as well as in accordance with Clause 9 of Rule XXI, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks for my Congressional District as a part of H.R. 2997, the Agriculture Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman BILL POSEY (along with other Representatives)

Project Funding Amount \$1,217,000

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: National Institute of Food and Agriculture

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of Florida

Address of Requesting Entity: University of Florida, Institute for Food and Agriculture Sciences, Post Office Box 110180, Gainesville, FL 32611-0180

Description of Request: For critical continuation and expansion of vital Citrus Greening and Citrus Canker research to improve technologies for treatment and detection, methods of movement and containment, and means to control and eliminate these devastating diseases.